**University of** Bergen **Public Health and Primary Care** 

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Scope: Fulltime **Duration:** Permanent

# Researcher (3 positions)

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At the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Global Public Health and Primary Care, 3 full-time (100 %) permanent positions as Researcher are available, starting early 2022. The positions are located at "Bergen Centre for Ethics and Priority Setting (BCEPS)" and external funded through the NORAD project "Defining and integrating essential NCD interventions in national health systems" (RAF20/0032). The project has a temporary funding for three (3) years.

#### About the project/work tasks:

Bergen Centre for Ethics and Priority Setting (BCEPS), situated at the Department of Global Public Health and Primary Care at the University of Bergen, is an interdisciplinary research center dedicated to studying the ethics and economics of priority setting in health. It provides decision support to countries on the path to Universal Health Coverage (UHC) - in partial fulfilment of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). BCEPS seeks to build scientific and technical capacity in the field of health care priority setting in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) by using established methods of priority setting and applying these to concrete priority setting challenges (e.g. defining national essential health care packages) in collaboration with local partners.

The objectives for this project are to:

- 1. Develop, propose or revise essential NCD UHC packages in Tanzania, Nepal and Ghana.
- Train national experts in health economics and priority setting. One PhD candidate and a number of Master students will be recruited from each country.
- 3. Develop recommendations for integrated delivery of priority interventions in the selected countries.

BCEPS is responsible for achieving outcomes 1 & 2, while Harvard Medical School's Brigham and Women's Hospital Center for Integration Science in Global Health Delivery is responsible for outcome 3.

### Tasks for this position:

One researcher will each lead the work in Tanzania, Nepal and Ghana. This work includes

- Policy dialogue with Ministry of Health and other key stakeholders
- Supervision of PhD and master students
- Generating evidence relevant for defining and implementing an essential NCD UHC package
- Analytic work in collaboration with the "Fair Choices" team in Bergen. This includes parametrising the priority setting model for the respective country, use results in decision making process and develop analytics according to needs in each country.

#### Qualifications and personal qualities:

- The applicant must hold a PhD degree in medicine, economics or a quantitative discipline (e.g., political science, epidemiology). It is a condition of employment that the PhD has been awarded.
- Solid knowledge of quantitative research methods for economic evaluations.
- The candidate must have in-depth knowledge about either Tanzania, Ghana or Nepal.
- The candidate must have proficiency in spoken and written English, and a local language for the country that the candidate applies for.
- Personal qualities will be emphasized. The candidate should be able to work independently and interactively in a team setting, be
  motivated and responsible, have a great work capacity, and have commitment and enthusiasm for communication of research findings
  to policy makers.

#### We can offer:

- · Exciting development opportunities as part of your role in a strong professional environment
- Salary pay grade 64 NOK 583 500 (code 1109/pay framework 28.4) specialist pay grade 66 NOK 604 700 (code 1109/salary scale 24.10) gross p.a. for a fulltime position; following ordinary meriting regulations
- Enrolment in the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund
- · Good welfare benefits

### Your application must include:

- a brief account of the applicant's research interests and motivation for applying for the position
- an overview of your education and work experience (CV)
- witnessed copies of diplomas and relevant certificates (applicants with education from other countries than Norway must enclose diplomas in both the original language and authorized translations)
- publications and academic work (max 10) and a list of these
- your PhD thesis (in PDF)
- · two referees (name and contact information)

It is very important that each of the scholarly works on which the committee should place special emphasis, is attached in its entirety.

### The following premise forms the basis for the post as researcher:

- the researcher will be a member of the research group of which the topic/project belongs to
- the salary shall if possible be 100 % covered by external financing
- the researcher shall actively contribute to attract external funding to the research project, both for her/his own position and other positions, from the Research Council of Norway, EU and other sources
- the researcher is expected to have her/his research activity financed by the project of the researcher and the projects of the associated research group
- the Head of Department may allocate work for the Researcher related to specific research projects
- the researcher may participate in committee work and other administrative tasks within the University of Bergen
- the researcher has no teaching duties, but is expected to supervise master students and PhD candidates when this is a natural part of the research activity of the research group
- the researcher may apply for competence promotion according to the regulations for promotions
- the basis for the position ceases if no further project funding and new law on state officials etc. on dismissal and preferential rights will be applied to permanent employees

#### General information:

Further information about the position can be obtained from: Professor Ole Frithjof Norheim, e-mail: Ole.Norheim@uib.no or Professor Kjell Arne Johansson, e-mail: Kjell.Johansson@uib.no

The state workforce shall reflect the diversity of Norwegian society to the greatest extent possible. People with immigrant backgrounds and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply for the position.

The University of Bergen applies the principle of public access to information when recruiting staff for academic positions.

For further information about the recruitment process, click here.

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There are five departments and seven centres at Faculty of Medicine.

Read More about the faculty and departments

#### **Additional information**

#### Place of service:

Det medisinske fakultet 5020 Bergen (Bergen Municipality)	